

General Assembly

Raised Bill No. 320

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LCO No. 2207



Referred to Committee on LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Introduced by: (LAB)

## AN ACT CONCERNING RAISING THE THRESHOLD FOR UNEMPLOYMENT OVERPAYMENTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subsection (f) of section 31-273 of the general statutes is
- 2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from
- 3 passage):

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- 4 (f) Any person who knowingly makes a false statement or
  - representation or fails to disclose a material fact in order to obtain,
- 6 increase, prevent or decrease any benefit, contribution or other payment
- 7 under this chapter, or under any similar law of another state or of the
- 8 United States in regard to which this state acted as agent pursuant to an
- 9 agreement authorized by section 31-225, whether to be made to or by
- 10 [himself or herself] <u>such person</u> or any other person, and who receives
- 11 any such benefit, pays any such contribution or alters any such payment
- 12 to [his or her] <u>such person</u> advantage by such fraudulent means (1) shall
- 13 be guilty of a class A misdemeanor if such benefit, contribution or
- payment amounts to [five hundred] two thousand dollars or less, or (2)
- 15 shall be guilty of a class D felony if such benefit, contribution or
- payment amounts to more than [five hundred] two thousand dollars.

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- 17 Notwithstanding the provisions of section 54-193, no person shall be
- 18 prosecuted for a violation of the provisions of this subsection committed
- on or after October 1, 1977, except within five years next after such
- 20 violation has been committed.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following			
sections:			
Section 1	from passage	31-273(f)	

## Statement of Purpose:

To increase the threshold dollar amount used to determine whether unemployment compensation fraud is a misdemeanor or a felony.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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